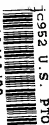


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 Applications under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 70333



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- () An executed Oath or Declaration and Power of Attorney naming the actual inventors is enclosed.
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- () An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
- () A Form PTO-1449 is enclosed.
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- (X) A Return Receipt Postcard is enclosed (MPEP §503).

(X) Priority of application number 60/172,677 filed on December 20, 1999 in the U.S. is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).

- () A certified copy of the priority document is enclosed.
- () A MicroFiche Computer Program (Appendix) is enclosed.
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(a) Basic Fee		\$ 710.00
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